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Addendum

1. As members of the Security Council will recall, in paragraph 33 of my report of 30 August 1993 (S/26385) I emphasized the significance of the direct talks between the President of Mozambique, Mr. Joaquim Chissano, and Mr. Afonso Dhlakama, President of the Resistência Nacional Moçambicana (RENAMO), which began in Maputo on 23 August 1993, and promised to keep the Security Council informed of the progress of the talks. I am now pleased to inform the members of the Council that on 2 September 1993, two major agreements were reached between the Government and RENAMO and an appropriate document was signed on 3 September 1993.

2. The Government of Mozambique and RENAMO have agreed, in particular, to integrate into the state administration all areas which had been under RENAMO control. This understanding will have major implications for stability in the country and should help to promote national reconciliation.

3. The agreement which will have major consequences for the functioning of ONUMOZ concerns the impartiality of the national police. The parties have agreed to request the United Nations to monitor all police activities in the country, public or private, to monitor the rights and liberties of citizens in Mozambique and to provide technical support to the Police Commission (COMPOL). The proposed United Nations police contingent would be responsible for verifying that all police activities in the country are consistent with the General Peace Agreement (S/24635, annex). The Government has agreed to provide a list of matériel in the possession of the police, as well as other information necessary to verify the activities of the police.

4. My Special Representative, Mr. Aldo Ajello, has already begun preliminary consultations with the Government of Mozambique and RENAMO on this matter. It is my intention to send shortly to Mozambique a small survey team of experts and to inform the Security Council in due course of their findings as well as of my final recommendations about the size of the United Nations police component. In this context, I would like to bring to the attention of Council members that, from my Special Representative's initial contacts on this matter, it appears that at least one of the parties has in mind a much larger police force than that envisaged in the initial operational plan for ONUMOZ (S/24892, paras. 29 and 48 (c), and Add.1). While awaiting the experts' recommendation,

preparations will be made to commence deployment of the 128 police observers already authorized by the Security Council (S/RES/797 (1992) of 16 December 1992).

5. The Mozambican Government further has indicated that it also will seek the support of the international community in reorganizing its Rapid Intervention Police.

6. President Chissano and Mr. Dhlakama discussed other important issues, including those relating to the impartiality of the press and economic assistance to RENAMO. However, decisions on those issues have been deferred to the next high-level meeting. It is expected that Mr. Dhlakama will again visit Maputo in the beginning of October 1993. In this connection, I would like to reiterate that I am strongly in favour of such meetings becoming an ongoing process. My Special Representative is working with the parties to ensure that the momentum towards the full implementation of the Rome Accords is maintained. It is imperative to immediately begin assembly and demobilization of troops as well as to reach early agreement on the draft electoral law, in order for the elections to be held according to the revised timetable for the implementation of the General Peace Agreement (see S/26835, paras. 29-31). I hope that all Member States concerned would strongly encourage the parties accordingly. No new conditions, preconditions or postponements should be accepted.